

SUMTER LITTLE
THEATRE
presents

NEIL
SIMON'S
**LOST
IN
YONKERS**

directed by
Katie Damron

**February 8-11 and
15-18, 1996**

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Presents

Lost In Yonkers

by
Neil Simon

Produced by special arrangement with
Samuel French, Inc.

"BE CAREFUL, ITS MY HEART"
Music and Lyrics by Irving Berlin

Used by special arrangement with The Rodgers and Hammerstein Organization, on behalf of Irving Berlin Music Company, 1633 Broadway, Str. 3801, New York, New York 10019

The Cast

Jay	Ryan Flaherty
Arty	Patrick Williams
Eddie	John Osteen
Bella	Marcy Burnett
Grandma Kurnitz	T.J. Jones
Louie	Jody Osborne
Gert	Diane Plott

Setting

An Apartment above KURNITZ'S KANDY STORE,
Yonkers, NY, 1942

Act 1

Scene 1: August about 6:30 pm
Scene 2: Two weeks later, late at night
Scene 3: September, Sunday afternoon
Scene 4: One week later, midnight

Act 2

Scene 1: Some weeks later, late morning
Scene 2: Later that night
Scene 3: Sunday, the following week
Scene 4: Nine months later, afternoon

There will be a fifteen minute intermission.

NO FOOD OR DRINKS IN THE THEATRE.

The concession area/gallery will be open during intermission.
Please NO photographs may be taken during the performance.

Production Staff

Director	Katie Damron
Technical Director/Designer	Randy Abbott
Stage Manager	Matthew Sheehan
Lighting Technician	Kendy Burnett
Sound Technician	Addie Williams
Set Construction	Kendy Burnett, Dean Long Ken Poston, Booth Chilcutt Michael Slates, Myra Yeatts
Properties	Blake Sterling, Kelly Rogers
Costumes	Marge Cowles, Chair. Shannon Flaherty, Rose Metz, Sonja Curry
Mrs. Jones' Wig	Randall Browning; Designer's Alley, Columbia, SC
Publicity	Dee Renko
Poster Photo	Duke Spinelli
Newsletter	Suzanne Begley
Box Office	Jeannie Purdy, Chair.
House Managers	Junior Welfare League Volunteers
Ushers	SLT Theatre School Students

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CAST NOTES

Marcy Burnett (Bella) Formerly Marcy Heath, she was married last September after love bloomed in the light booth here at SLT. Marcy and her husband Kendy met when they worked together on "The Boys Next Door" last season. She's now living a life-long dream with Kendy out in the country with room for lots of dogs and cats! Marcy has appeared in "The Foreigner," "Lettice and Lovage," "Rumors" and "Oliver" at SLT, but she feels that Bella is perhaps the most challenging role of all.

Ryan Flaherty (Jay) We've watched Ryan grow up here at SLT. He's been a student in the Theatre School for eight years and has participated in many productions both onstage and backstage. Last year, he attended the South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts in Drama. He's a junior at Sumter High School and he plans to major in drama in college.

T. J. Jones (Grandma) SLT audiences will remember T.J.'s performance as Maria Merilli, the jealous wife of the opera star in "Lend Me a Tenor." Last year T.J. graduated magna cum laude from the University of South Carolina with a degree in education, and now she's teaching seventh grade Language Arts at Bates Middle School. She's a storyteller and writer with two works in progress: a collection of Traditional Irish Folktales set in verse, and *The Journal of a First Year Teacher*.

Jody Osborne (Louie) Jody is an engineer with the SCDOT in Camden. He lives in Sumter with his wife Charlene. Jody has appeared in or worked on over 40 productions in his quarter century of "unpaid professional theatre." He was last seen at SLT in several character roles in "Dearly Departed." Osborne states that he has had a wealth of roles during his theatre career "from a leading man, to the third spear carrier from the left."

John M. Osteen (Eddie) This is John's first season with SLT. He worked backstage on "The Glass Menagerie" in November and now he's in front of the curtain. He's the assistant manager at Jewelry Wholesale and a member of the Sumter Civic Chorale and the Trinity Singers.

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Diane Plott (Gert) This is Diane's first time "on the boards" at SLT, but her onstage experience goes back twenty-five years. She has appeared in "Bury the Dead," "The Thurber Carnival" and "The Man Who Came To Dinner," and gave an outstanding performance in "The Night of January 16th" at the Brevard Little Theatre in Brevard, NC. She is also active with the Shaw's theatre group. Diane was our sound technician for Lend Me a Tenor.

Patrick Williams (Artie) Patrick attends High Hill Middle School. He is a fourth year drama student in the SLT Theatre School. He has appeared in "ABC (America Before Columbus)" and "Charlotte's Web."

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Charles Fuller's Pulitzer Prize Winning Drama

"A Soldier's Play"

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This is a powerful story of a murder investigation on an army base in Louisiana in 1942. A black army sergeant is shot twice and killed on his way back to the base after a long night of drinking in the segregated town of Tynin, Louisiana. The black soldiers suspect the local Klan. To prevent a riot, the officers order an investigation and the Army assigns Capt. Richard Davenport, a black lawyer, to investigate. What he discovers is more shocking than the murder itself.

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